

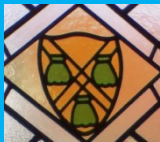
## In the south wall of the Nave , symbols of the other six Apostles



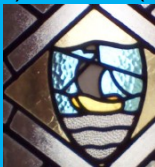
a) **St. Thomas** was traditionally a builder (thus the **carpenter's square**) who built a church in India where he was killed by a pagan priest with a **spear**. Called The Twin in St. John's Gospel he is also portrayed there as unwilling to believe until he saw the risen Christ. (John 20:25-28)



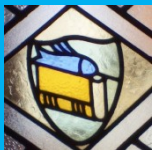
b) **St. James 'the son of Alphaeus'** is otherwise undetailed, though identified by some with James the Less (or Younger) (Mark 15:40) or with the Lord's brother (Mark 6:3) and said by some to have been thrown from a pinnacle of the Temple and then sawn in two, hence the **saw**. Not all Christians achieve fame but even those who remain unknown can suffer for their faithfulness.



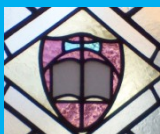
c) **St. Matthew** is called Levi in Mark 2:14 and Luke 5:27 and a tax gatherer in Matthew 9:9 and thus signified by the **money bags**. He may have written St. Matthew's Gospel. He is also called a son of Alphaeus and is usually listed, as in the Bible, before James (above).



d) **St. Jude** (Luke 6:16) is also called **Thaddeus** (Mark 3:18 and Matthew 10:3) and the **St. Addai** of the Chaldean Catholic Church in Papatoetoe. He is sometimes called Judas but not Judas Iscariot, Christ's betrayer. Traditionally he is associated with Simon the Zealot (see below) as travelling missionaries. His symbol, a **sailing ship**, represents the Christian Church whose message they spread as far as Persia. Some say both were martyred there. The Epistle of Jude was possibly written by him.



e) **St. Simon the Zealot** (or 'Canaan' which is the same word) is named in the lists of Apostles but otherwise undetailed. By tradition he was a brother and fellow missionary of St. Jude, and possibly a brother of Jesus (Matthew 13:56) though some include him among the shepherds in Luke 2:8-20. He is symbolised by a **fish on a book** because by the power of the Gospel he became a great fisher of men. In some art his symbol is a saw, like James the Less (see above).



f) **St Matthias** was chosen (Acts 1:15-26) as a replacement for Judas Iscariot who ended up taking his own life. By tradition Matthias became a missionary who preached from the **Bible** and was finally beheaded with an **axe**, possibly in Ethiopia. Some say he was also stoned to death.